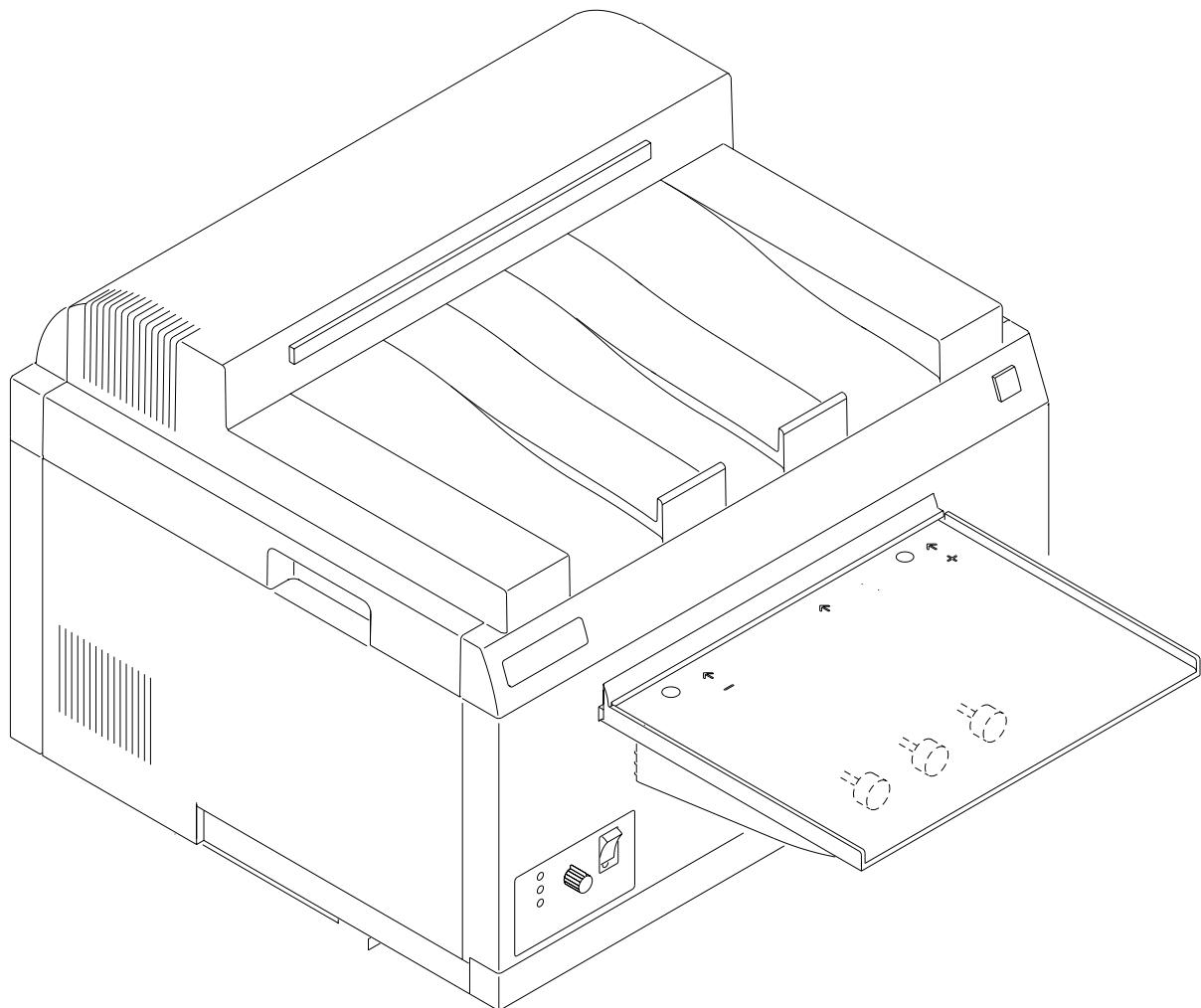

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Warning

To avoid hazardous conditions, keep floors and floor coverings around your *Kodak X-Omat* Processors and associated drains clean and dry at all times. Any accumulation of fluids from mixing tanks, drain lines, etc., should be cleaned up immediately. In the event of an accumulation of liquid due to backup, overflow, or other malfunctions of the drain associated with your *Kodak X-Omat* Processor, call a plumber or other contractor to correct any problem with the drain. Kodak accepts no responsibility or liability whatsoever for the serviceability of any drain connected to or associated with a *Kodak X-Omat* Processor. Such drains are the sole responsibility of the customer.



Important

Use qualified personnel to install and service the equipment.

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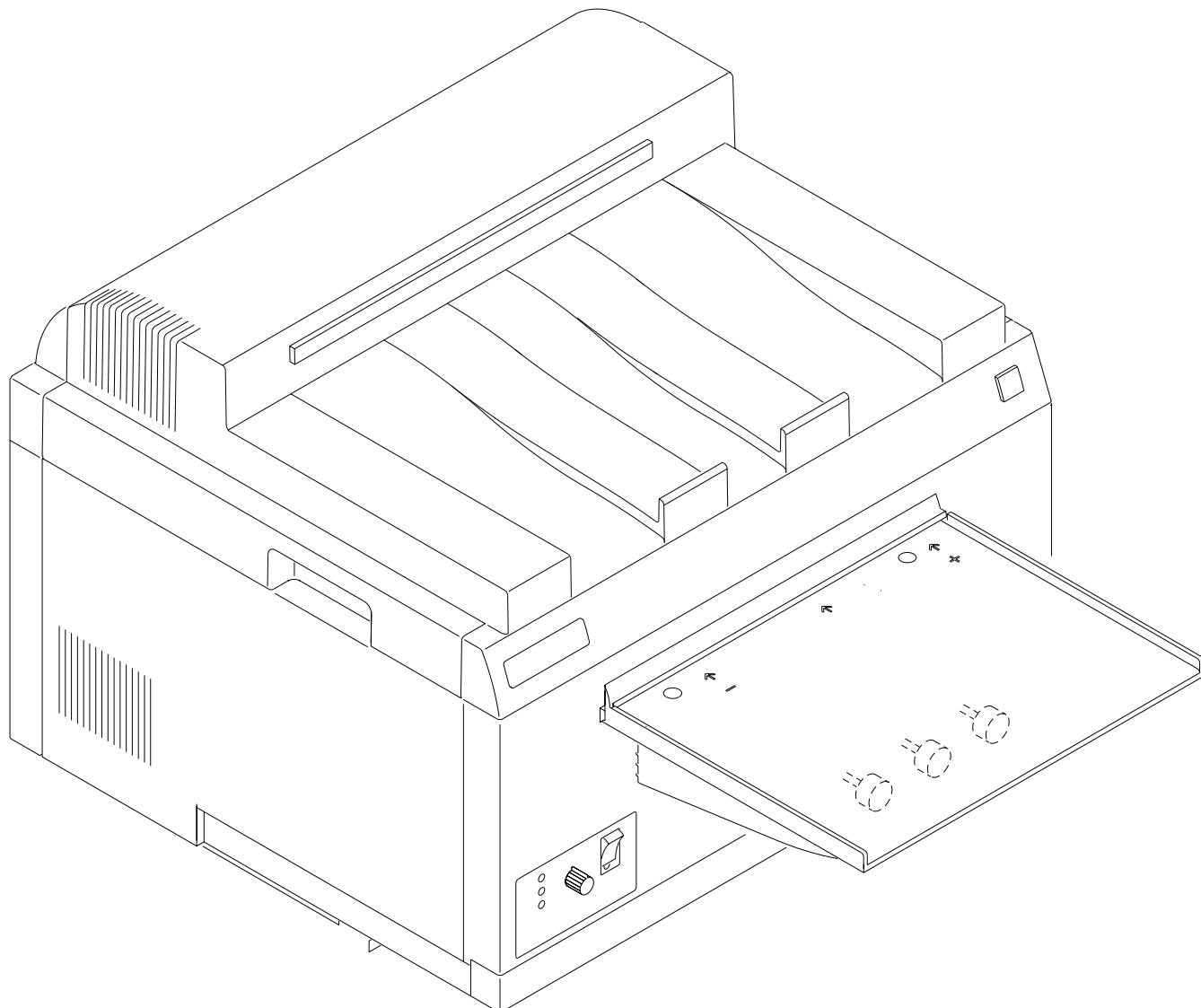
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Overview

Product Description

The *Kodak X-Omat* M43, M43A, and Clinic 1 Processors are compact, table-top processors used for processing medical x-ray films. The *Kodak X-Omat* M43 and M43A Processors are designed to perform primarily in the hospital satellite market. The *Kodak X-Omat* Clinic 1 Processor is designed to perform primarily in the non-hospital market. The processors use a roller transport technology to reliably process sheet film ranging in size from 10 x 10 cm to 35 x 43 cm (4 x 4 in. to 14 x 17 in.).

Figure 1 Front View of the Processor



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Optional Accessories and Kits

Mounting Stand: An optional stand is available from Kodak. The processor stand provides a sturdy work surface for the processor and occupies a minimum amount of space. By using the optional *Kodak* M35, M43, Clinic 1 Mounting Stand, you are ensured that the processor will be at a convenient height for feeding films. The Mounting Stand also provides the convenience of a slide-out shelf in the base on which you may store replenishment supply tanks. Order **CAT No. 808 1176**.

Lighttight Feed Tray: An optional Lighttight Feed Tray Kit is available from Kodak. The Lighttight Feed Tray allows you to turn on the darkroom lights immediately upon feeding the last sheet of film. Order **CAT No. 188 0335**.

Transformer Kit: If your site does not meet the voltage specifications as outlined in the Site Specifications, Publication Number 981087, a qualified service person can install a Transformer Kit to ensure that your voltage will be within the correct specifications at all times. For Clinic 1 and M43A sites whose voltage is not within the range of 104 to 127 V AC at all times, order **CAT No. 167 4340**. For M43 sites whose voltage is not within the range of 207 to 253 V AC at all times, order **CAT No. 171 0292**. Be sure when having a Transformer Kit installed, that it is installed according to local codes.

Seismic Anchor Bracket Kit: If the processor is to be installed in California or in any area where the threat of earthquakes or tremors exists, you can order the Seismic Anchor Bracket Kit. Use the hardware supplied with the Mounting Stand to securely attach the processor to the Stand. The Seismic Anchor Bracket Kit includes the hardware to enable a qualified service person to secure the Mounting Stand to the floor. Order **Part No. 261413**. Be sure when having a Seismic Anchor Bracket Kit installed, that it is installed according to local codes.

Vent Duct Adapter Kit: If you need venting capability, order a Vent Duct Adapter Kit that connects to the processor. This kit can be used with the Auxiliary Ventilation Fan Kit (detailed below). For the Vent Duct Adapter Kit, order **CAT No. 143 4943**.

Auxiliary Ventilation Fan Kit: If your site does not meet the specifications for room air changes as outlined in the Site Specifications, Publication Number 981087, a qualified service person can install the *Kodak* Auxiliary Ventilation Fan Kit with the Vent Duct Adapter Kit (detailed above). Order **Part No. 264503**. Be sure when having a Ventilation Fan Kit installed, that it is installed according to local codes. This kit is available for 115 V AC only and has a capacity of 122 cubic feet per minute.

Installation Kit: If your qualified service person is installing the Clinic 1 processor, the Installation Kit provides all of the components necessary to install the processor. These parts are included when purchasing the M43 and M43A processor models. Order **CAT No. 863 2754**.

Through-the-Wall Kit: If your qualified service person is installing the processor through the darkroom wall, this kit includes all the components necessary to complete the installation. This kit assumes the use of the *Kodak* M35, M43, Clinic 1 Mounting Stand (detailed above). For the Through-the-Wall Kit, order **CAT No. 871 3109**.

Operator Display

Figure 2 Display Panel of the M43 and M43A Processors

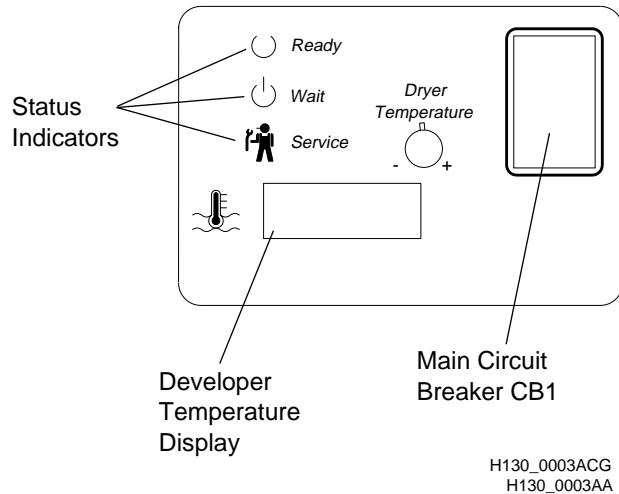
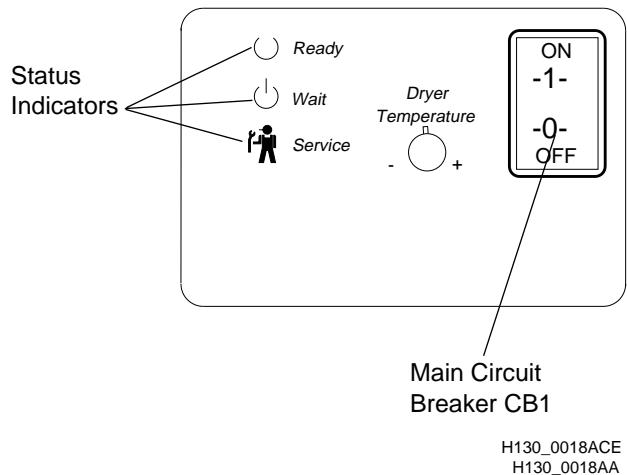


Figure 3 Display Panel of the Clinic 1 Processor



The Display Panel provides you with the following status conditions:

- Ready or Not Ready
- Warning and Error Conditions
- Current Temperature of the Developer (Models M43 and M43A Processors Only).

The 3 Status Indicators on the Display Panel provide you with the following information:

- **Ready**
 - indicates that the processor is ready to accept film.
- **Wait**
 - a blinking Wait Indicator means that the processor has not yet reached optimum film processing conditions, see Page 33 for additional information.
 - a solid Wait Indicator means that a film is being fed and has not yet cleared the Feed Tray.
- **Service**
 - a blinking Service Indicator means that the processor has an error condition that you **may** be able to correct. See Table 4 on Page 34 for possible remedies.
 - a solid Service Indicator means that the processor is in the diagnostic mode. Call your service provider.

Processor Setup Options

The processor software allows for 4 optional configurations.

- Celsius or Fahrenheit Developer Temperature Display Units (Models M43 and M43A Processors Only)
- Standard or Flooded Replenishment
- Standby Mode or Continuous Mode
- Low or Continuous Water Usage Mode

The 4 optional configurations can only be selected by **qualified service personnel**. Typically, the options are configured at the time of installation, but you may change the options at any time by calling your service provider.

Developer Temperature Display Units: (Models M43 and M43A Processors Only) You may choose between degrees Celsius (°C) or degrees Fahrenheit (°F). The processor is factory set to display Celsius units. To display Fahrenheit units, call your service provider.

Standard or Flooded Replenishment: The processor is factory set to the Standard Replenishment Mode, but you may choose to set up the processor for flooded replenishment. Flooded Replenishment Mode is intended for sites having low film volumes. Refer to the Replenishment Sheet, Publication No. 1C0578, for low volume specifications. In the Flooded Replenishment Mode, every 24 minutes the processor pumps the correct volume of replenishment solutions to process the equivalent of one 35 x 43 cm (14 x 17 in.) sheet of film. If you wish to operate the processor in Flooded Replenishment Mode, call your service provider.

Standby Mode or Continuous Mode: The processor is factory set for the Standby Mode. In the Standby Mode the processor's Main Drive, Dryer Blower, Dryer Heater, and Wash Pump remain off.

Note: The Wash Pump may turn on during Standby Mode if cooling for the developer is required. Standby Mode conserves both electricity and water and minimizes wear on moving parts. Ordinarily, you may allow the processor to operate in Standby Mode. If you have selected the Continuous Mode, the processor never enters a standby condition. This mode can be used in extreme conditions to maintain optimum processing. For example: very cold ambient conditions, below 15°C (59°F); low voltage sites; or sites running large films continuously back to back for long periods of time. If you wish to operate the processor in the Continuous Mode, call your service provider.

Low or Continuous Water Usage Mode: The processor is factory set for Continuous Water Usage Mode. In this mode, water runs at one litre per minute. This allows fresh water to circulate through the processor and prevent biological growth. If biological growth is not a concern and you wish to operate the processor in Low Water Usage Mode, call your service provider.

Replenishment Solutions

Mixing the Chemicals



Warning

Wear rubber gloves, safety glasses, and protective clothing when mixing chemicals and filling the tanks.

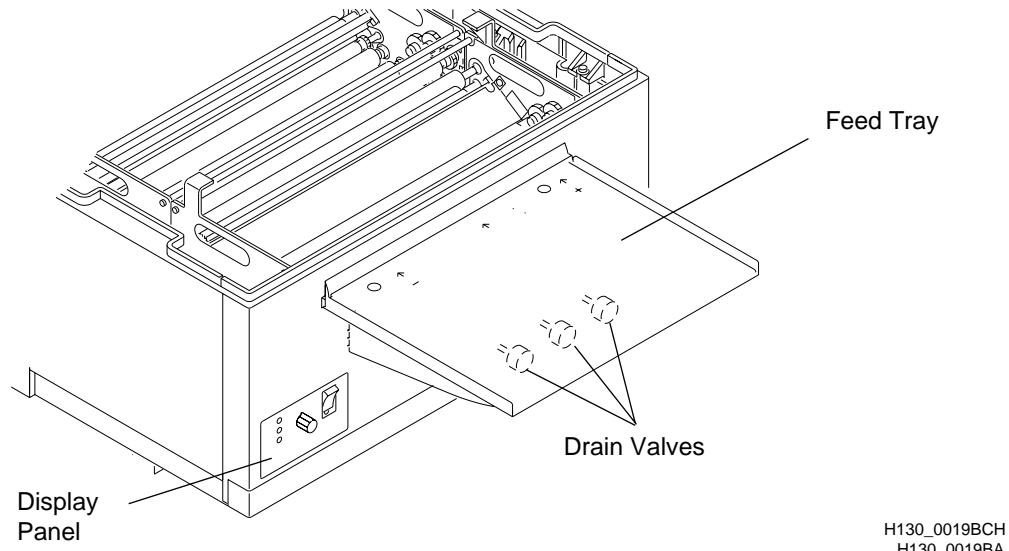


Important

- When mixing chemical solutions, follow all instructions and precautions on the labels of the chemical bottles.
- Mix only a 2-week supply of developer replenishment.

- [1] Following all directions provided with the chemicals, mix at least 19 litres (5 gallons) of replenishment solution.
- [2] Before adding fresh chemicals to an empty processor, check that the developer and fixer Drain Valves are fully closed. The Drain Valve Knobs should be rotated $1/4$ turn.

Figure 4 Closing the Drain Valves



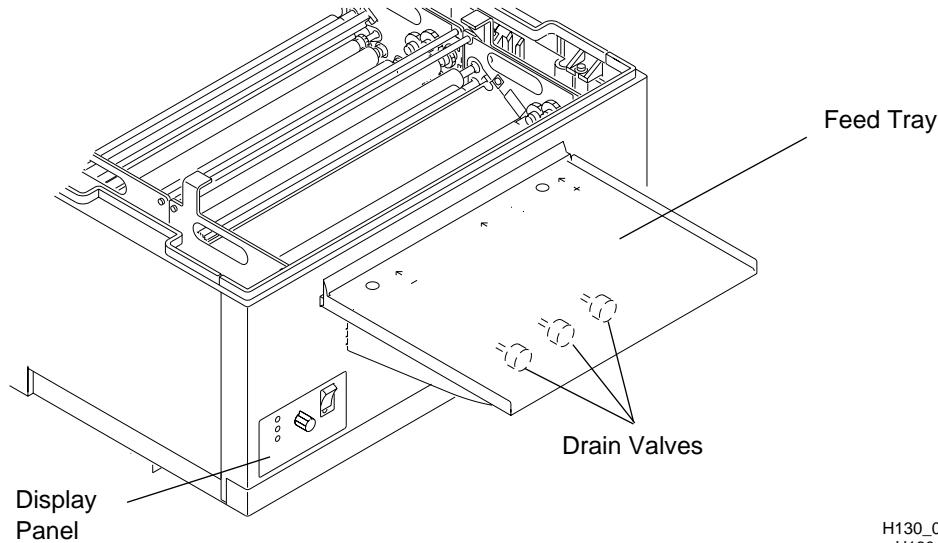
Draining the Processor Tanks

Caution

If using a Silver Recovery Unit, disconnect the Drain Tube from the input side of the Silver Recovery Unit before you open the Drain Valve. This will avoid flooding. Drain the fixer solution into a container or directly into the floor drain. **Check the local codes before draining solutions into a floor drain.**

- [1] Drain the Tank by rotating the Drain Valve Knob in either direction $1/4$ turn. You will feel the stem lock into place. When the Tank is drained, close the Drain Valve by rotating the Drain Valve Knob $1/4$ turn in either direction.

Figure 5 Draining the Tanks



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- [2] Remove the Dryer Rack.
- [3] Remove the Fixer and Developer Evaporation Covers.
- [4] Remove the Fixer Rack and Developer Rack.
 - To prevent solutions from one Tank spilling over into the next Tank, always:
 - use the Splash Guard, Part No. 1C4019
 - lower or raise the Racks very slowly when installing or removing them
 - To prevent solutions from dripping into the processor or onto the Feed Tray:
 - use the Drip Tray, Part No. 1C4011, when carrying Racks to and from the processor
 - carefully tip the Racks when removing them from the processor to drain the remaining solution
 - remove the Racks from the side of the processor, not from the front or back
- [5] Rinse and thoroughly wipe the Racks and Evaporation Covers with a clean, lint-free cloth.

Filling the Fixer Tank**Warning**

- To avoid spilling processing solutions onto electrical components:
 - fill the Tanks from the Non-Drive side as shown
 - always fill the Tanks with the Access Panels in place

[1] Make sure that the Fixer Drain Valve is closed by rotating it $1/4$ turn.

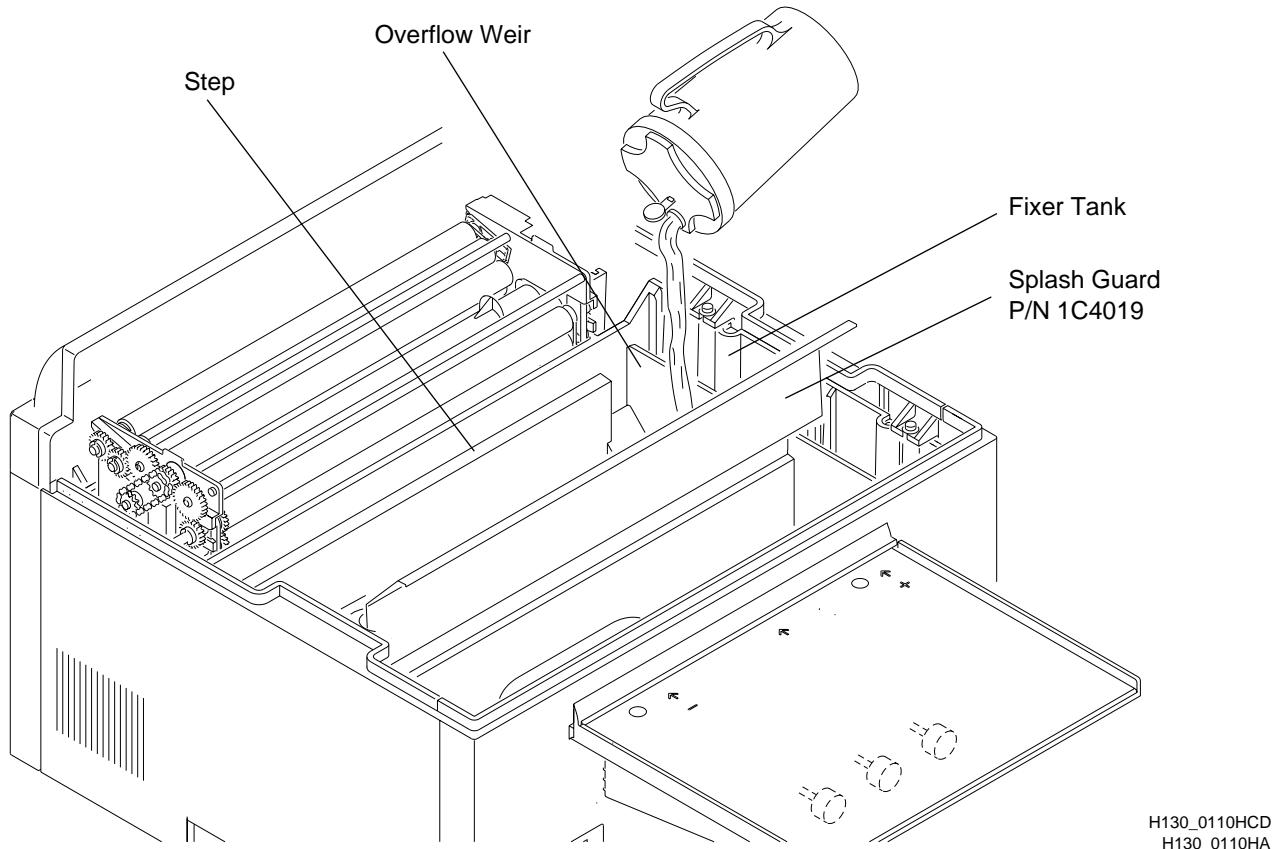
[2] Install the Splash Guard, Part No. 1C4019, between the Fixer Tank and the Developer Tank. See the figure for the correct position of the Splash Guard.

Caution

Relatively small amounts of fixer can seriously contaminate the developer. If you are changing solutions in both the Developer Tank and the Fixer Tank, fill the Fixer Tank first so that you can thoroughly clean any fixer solution that spilled into the Developer Tank.

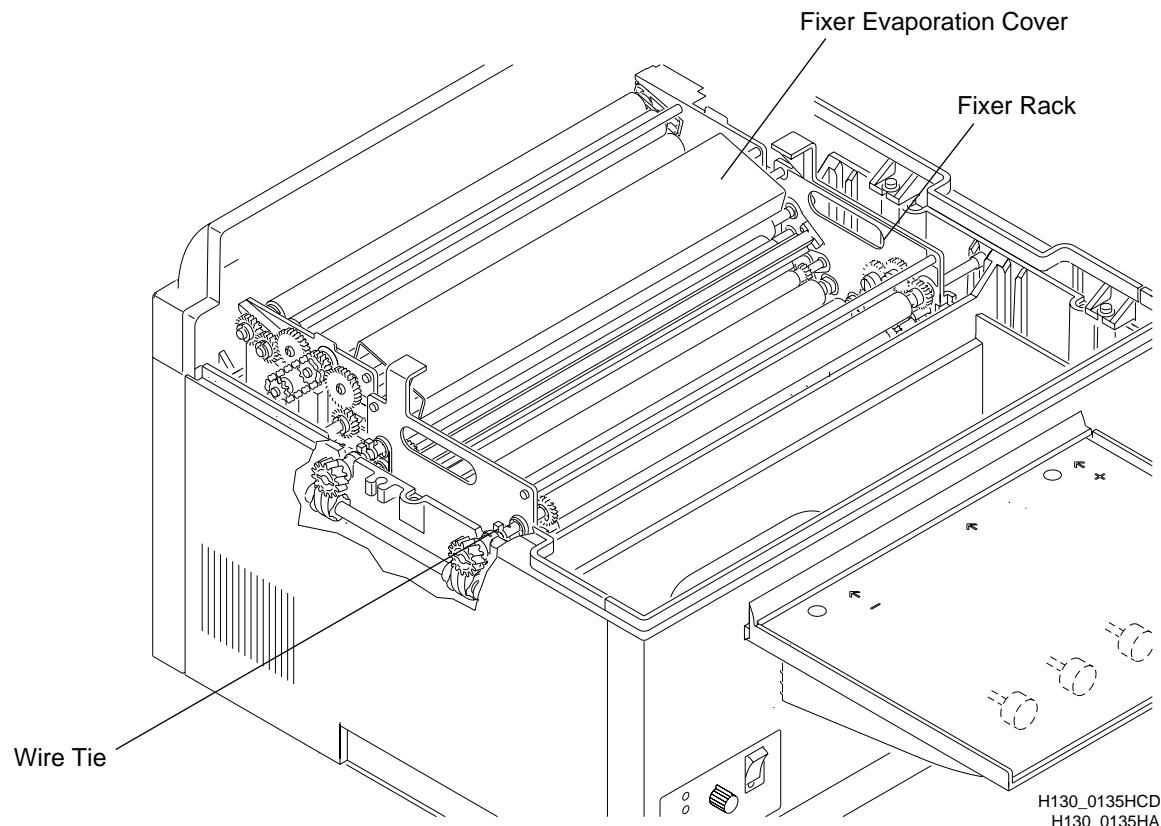
[3] Slowly pour fixer solution into the empty Fixer Tank until the level of the solution in the Fixer Tank is at the top of the Step.

Figure 6 Checking the Level of the Fixer Solution



- [4] Wipe any solution that spilled on the Splash Guard using a clean, damp, lint-free cloth.
- [5] Very carefully, install the Fixer Rack into the Fixer Tank onto the edge of the Splash Guard. You can identify the Fixer Rack by the **blue** Wire Tie.
 - (a) Check that the fixer solution did not spill or splash into the Developer Tank. If necessary, rinse and then dry the Developer Tank by wiping the Tank with a clean, lint-free cloth.
 - (b) Check that the Fixer Rack is seated firmly in the Fixer Tank.
- [6] Check that the level of the solution in the Fixer Tank is at the top of the Overflow Weir. If necessary, add more solution. See Figure 6 on Page 10.
- [7] Install the Fixer Evaporation Cover between the Fixer Rack and the Wash Rack. Position the Evaporation Cover on the Tie Rods of the 2 Racks as shown.

Figure 7 **Installing the Fixer Evaporation Cover**



Filling the Developer Tank

Warning

- To avoid spilling processing solutions onto electrical components:
 - fill the Tanks from the Non-Drive side as shown
 - always fill the Tanks with the Access Panels in place

Caution

Relatively small amounts of fixer can seriously contaminate the developer. If you are changing solutions in both the Developer Tank and the Fixer Tank, fill the Fixer Tank first so that you can thoroughly clean any fixer solution that spilled into the Developer Tank.

- To prevent solutions from one Tank spilling over into the next Tank, always:
 - use the Splash Guard, Part No. 1C4019
 - lower or raise the Racks very slowly when installing or removing them
- To prevent solutions from dripping into the processor or onto the Feed Tray:
 - use the Drip Tray, Part No. 1C4011, when transporting Racks from the processor
 - carefully tip the Racks when removing them from the processor to drain the remaining solution
 - remove the Racks from the side of the processor, not from the front or back

[1] Check that the Developer Drain Valve is closed by rotating it $1/4$ turn.

Warning

Wear rubber gloves, safety glasses, and protective clothing when mixing chemicals and filling the tanks.

[2] Check that the Developer Tank does not contain any spills of fixer solution. If necessary, rinse and then dry the Developer Tank by wiping the Tank with a clean, lint-free cloth.

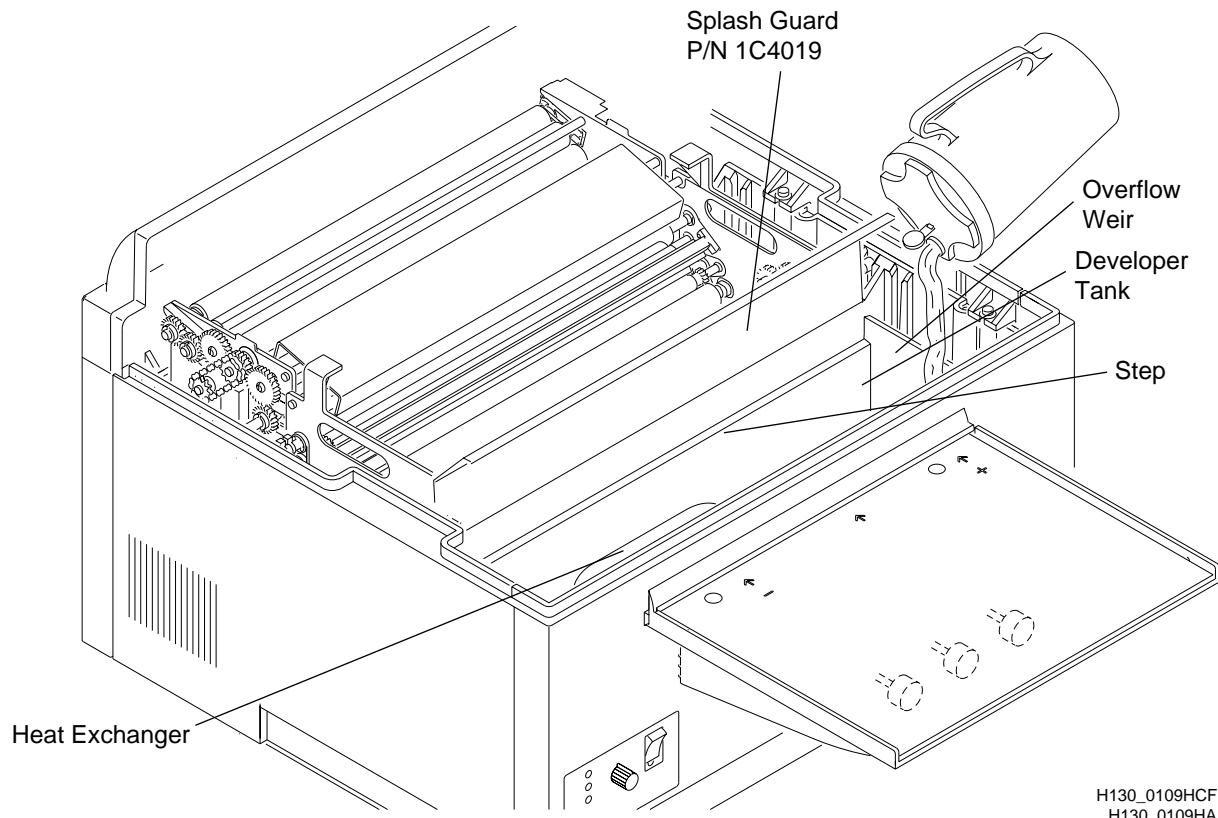
Important

It is important to do the following steps in the correct sequence to prevent *Kodak RP X-Omat* Developer Starter from going down the Drain Hoses.

[3] Pour developer solution into the Developer Tank until the level of the solution completely covers the Heat Exchanger in the bottom of the Tank. See Figure 8 on Page 13.

- [4] Pour 266 mL (9 fl oz.) of *Kodak RP X-Omat* Developer Starter into the Developer Tank.
- [5] Pour more developer solution into the Developer Tank until the level of the solution reaches the top of the Step in the Developer Tank.

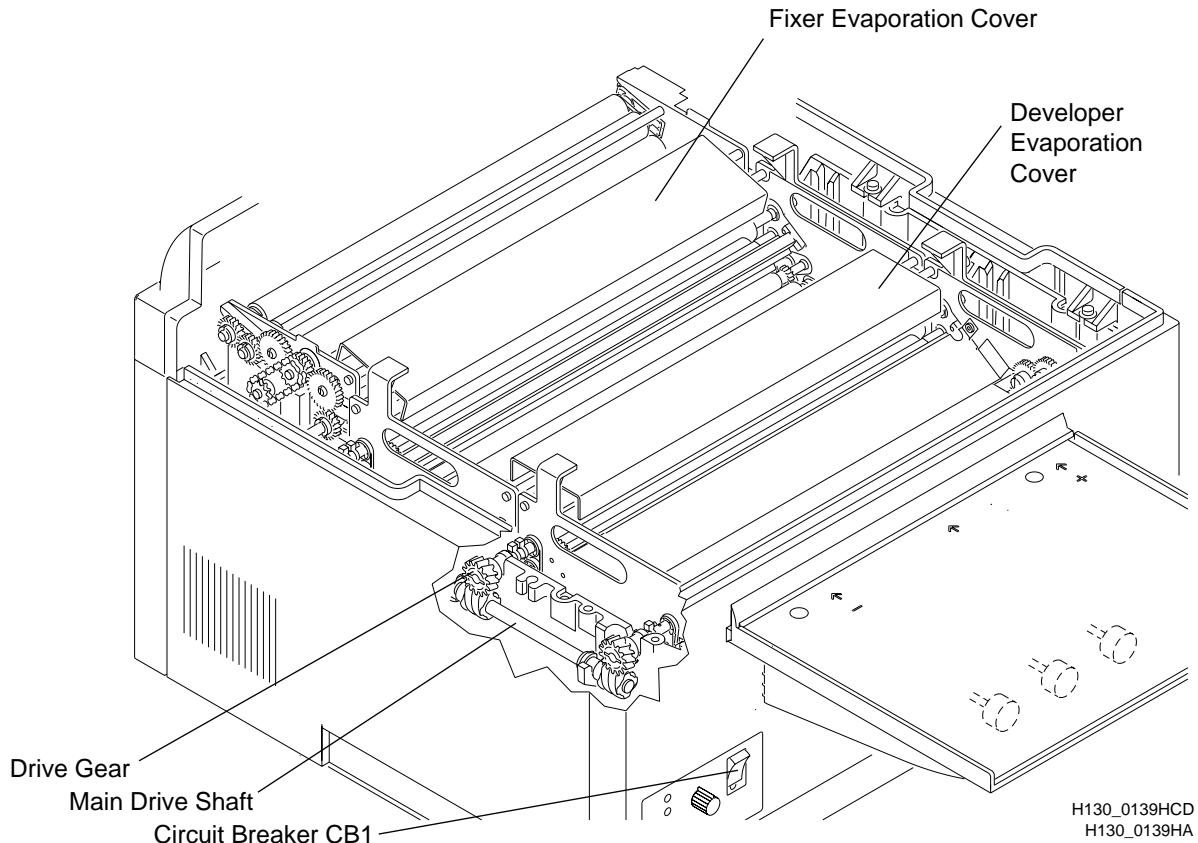
Figure 8 Checking the Level of the Developer Solution



- [6] Remove the Splash Guard from between the Fixer Tank and the Developer Tank. Wipe any spilled solution from the Splash Guard using a clean, damp, lint-free cloth.
- [7] Very carefully, install the Developer Rack into the Developer Tank. You can identify the Developer Rack by the **red** Wire Tie.
 - a. Be careful not to spill any developer solution into the Fixer Tank.
 - b. Check that the Developer Rack is seated firmly in the Developer Tank.
 - Small amounts of developer solution in the Fixer Tank will not contaminate the fixer solution, but will degrade the fixer solution.

- [8] Check that the Drive Gears on the Developer and Fixer Racks correctly engage the Gears on the Drive Shaft.
- [9] Using a soft, lint-free cloth, dry the Entrance Rollers on the Developer and Fixer Racks to prevent artifacts.
- [10] Check that the level of the solution in the Developer Tank is at the top of the Overflow Weir. If necessary, add more solution. See Figure 8 on Page 13.
- [11] Install the Developer Evaporation Cover between the Developer Rack and the Fixer Rack. Position the Evaporation Cover on the Tie Rods of the 2 Racks as shown.

Figure 9 **Installing the Developer Evaporation Cover**



- [12] Check that the Wash Drain Valve is closed.
- [13] Install the Dryer Rack and check that it is seated properly.
- [14] Install the Top Cover onto the processor.
- [15] Turn on the main water supply.
- [16] Turn on the processor by moving the Main Circuit Breaker CB1 to the “1” position.
- [17] Allow the processor to operate for at least 60 seconds to mix the developer and starter solutions.

Replenishment Calibration Check Procedure

The Replenishment Pumps are preset at the factory so that they will pump proportional volumes of developer and fixer replenishment solutions. The replenishment rate for the fixer should always remain 15 to 20% greater than the replenishment rate for the developer. When checking the replenishment rate, always check the replenishment rates for **both the developer and the fixer**, but make any adjustment using the developer replenishment solution.

For the recommended replenishment rates for developer and fixer, see the replenishment rate information sheet, Publication No. 1C0578, provided in the front pocket of your publications binder.

[1] To enter the Replenishment Calibration Check Mode:

- Check that the processor is on (CB1 in the “1” position).
- Remove the Top Cover.

Note

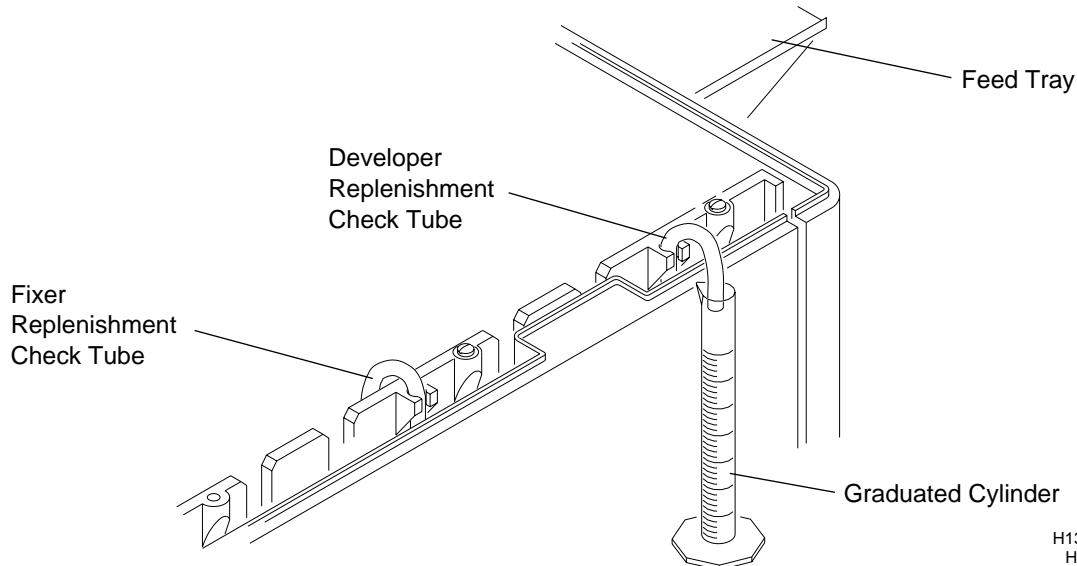
When the Top Cover is removed, the Safety Interlock is enabled. You will not see or hear any of the individual components of the processor running.

[2] Insert the **Developer** Replenishment Check Tube into a Graduated Cylinder.

Note

The Graduated Cylinder must be capable of containing at least 500 mL of solution. Use a 500 mL Graduated Cylinder TL-1435.

Figure 10 Checking the Developer Replenishment Rate



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[3] Check that there is no air in the Replenishment Hoses.

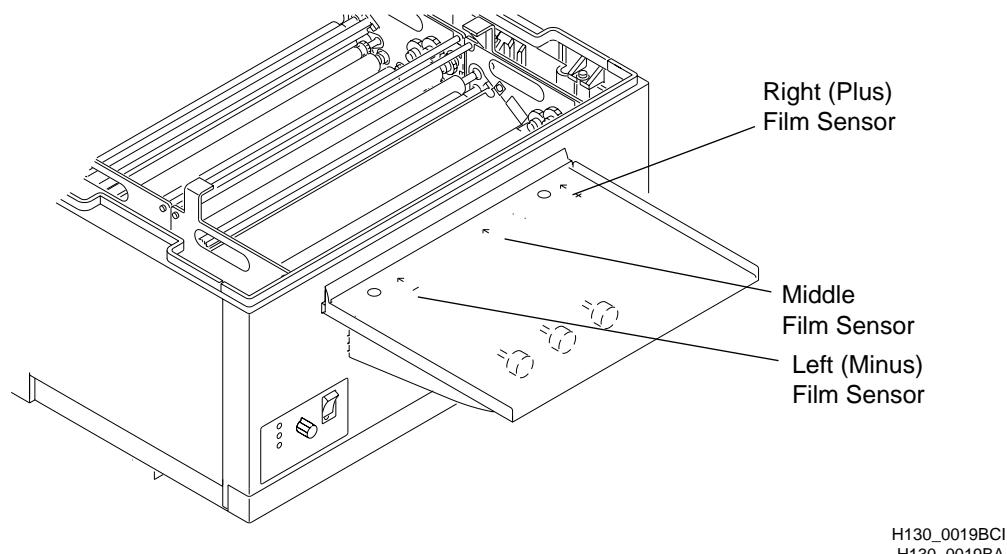
[4] Insert and remove a small sheet of film into the area indicated by the middle arrow on the Feed Tray.

- The film must pass under the Middle Film Sensor.
- Do not allow the sheet of film to block the Right (+) Film Sensor or Left (-) Film Sensor.
- The processor will beep twice to acknowledge the request for replenishment and then deliver replenishment to the Graduated Cylinder.
- The processor should pump the preset volume of developer and fixer replenishment solution for a 35 x 43 cm (14 x 17 in.) sheet of film.

[5] After the Replenishment Pump stops, repeat Step 4 **two** additional times.

[6] Measure and record the volume of developer replenishment solution in the Graduated Cylinder. Divide the volume by 3 to calculate the average amount of developer replenishment for each 35 x 43 cm (14 x 17 in.) sheet of film.

Figure 11 Inserting and Removing Film Under the Middle Film Sensor



[7] Compare your results to the recommended volumes listed in the Replenishment Rate Sheet, Publication No. 1C0578, which is located in the front pocket of your publications binder.

 **Note**

Any time you adjust the replenishment rate, you are adjusting the replenishment volume for **both developer and fixer**. Each time you increase or decrease the replenishment rate by inserting and removing a sheet of film under either the Right (+) Film sensor or Left (-) Film sensor, you are changing both of the replenishment rates by approximately 5 mL.

- (a) **If you measured the correct volume of developer replenishment solution, do not make any replenishment adjustments. Go to Step 8 on Page 18.**
- (b) **If you measured more than the recommended volume of developer replenishment solution, go to Step (m) below.**
- (c) **If you measured less than the recommended volume of developer replenishment solution, do the following steps to increase the rate of replenishment.**
- (d) Empty the replenishment solution from the Graduated Cylinder.
- (e) Insert and remove a small sheet of film under the **Right (+) Film Sensor** on the right side of the Feed Tray. Listen for the processor to beep once. Each beep represents a 5 mL increase in replenishment volume.

 **Note**

To make large changes in the replenishment rate, you may insert and remove a sheet of film from the Right (+) Film Sensor several times consecutively.

- (f) Again, insert the **Developer** Replenishment Check Tube into the Graduated Cylinder.
- (g) Again, insert and remove a small sheet of film under the **Middle Film Sensor**. Wait for the processor to beep twice and deliver replenishment solution to the Graduated Cylinder.
- (h) After the Replenishment Pump stops, repeat the previous step **two** additional times.
- (i) Measure the volume of developer replenishment solution in the Graduated Cylinder. Divide the volume by 3 to calculate the average measurement.
- (j) If the average measurement is less than the recommended volume by more than 3 mL, continue increasing the replenishment rate as necessary.
- (k) When the developer replenishment rate is correct, push the **Developer** Replenishment Check Tube down into the Developer Tank to its original position.
- (l) Advance to Step 9 on Page 18.
- (m) **If you measured more than the recommended volume of developer replenishment solution, do the following steps to decrease the rate of replenishment.**
- (n) Empty the replenishment solution from the Graduated Cylinder.
- (o) Insert and remove a small sheet of film under the **Left (-) Film Sensor** on the left side of the Feed Tray. Listen for the processor to beep once.

 **Note**

To make large changes in the replenishment rate, you may insert and remove a sheet of film from the Left (-) Film Sensor several times consecutively.

- (p) Insert the **Developer** Replenishment Check tube into the Graduated Cylinder.
- (q) Again, insert and remove a small sheet of film under the **Middle Film Sensor**. Wait for the processor to beep twice and deliver replenishment solution to the Graduated Cylinder.
- (r) After the Replenishment Pump stops, repeat the previous step **two** additional times.
- (s) Measure the volume of developer replenishment solution in the Graduated Cylinder. Divide the volume by 3 to calculate the average measurement.
- (t) If the average measurement is more than the recommended volume by more than 3 mL, continue decreasing the replenishment rate as necessary.

- [8] When the developer replenishment rate is correct, push the **Developer** Replenishment Check Tube down into the Developer Tank to its original position.
- [9] Clean and rinse the Graduated Cylinder and then insert the **Fixer** Replenishment Check Tube into the Graduated Cylinder.

 **Note**

The Graduated Cylinder must be capable of containing at least 500 mL of solution.

- [10] Insert and remove a small sheet of film under the **Middle Film Sensor**.
 - a. Do not allow the sheet of film to block the Right (+) Film Sensor or Left (-) Film Sensor.
 - b. The processor will beep twice to acknowledge the request for replenishment.
 - c. The replenishment system will deliver the preset volume of fixer solution into the Graduated Cylinder.
- [11] After the Replenishment Pump stops, insert and remove the sheet of film **two** additional times.
- [12] Measure the volume of fixer replenishment solution in the Graduated Cylinder. Divide the volume by 3 to calculate the average measurement.
- [13] Check that the Fixer Replenishment Check Tube is pushed down into the Fixer Tank to its original position.
- [14] Calculate the ratio of developer replenishment to fixer replenishment. Divide the average fixer replenishment rate you obtained by the average developer replenishment rate you obtained.
- [15] Compare the ratio you obtained to the recommended ratio. See the replenishment rate information sheet, Publication No. 1C0578, located in the front pocket of the publications binder for the recommended volumes of replenishment and expected ratios.

 **Note**

Formula: Fixer ÷ Developer = Ratio

Example: 100 mL fixer ÷ 80 mL developer = 1.25 (Ratio)

- (a) If you do not obtain the recommended ratio, check for kinked hoses outside of the processor or air in the lines. If this does not correct the problem, call your service provider.

Operating Instructions

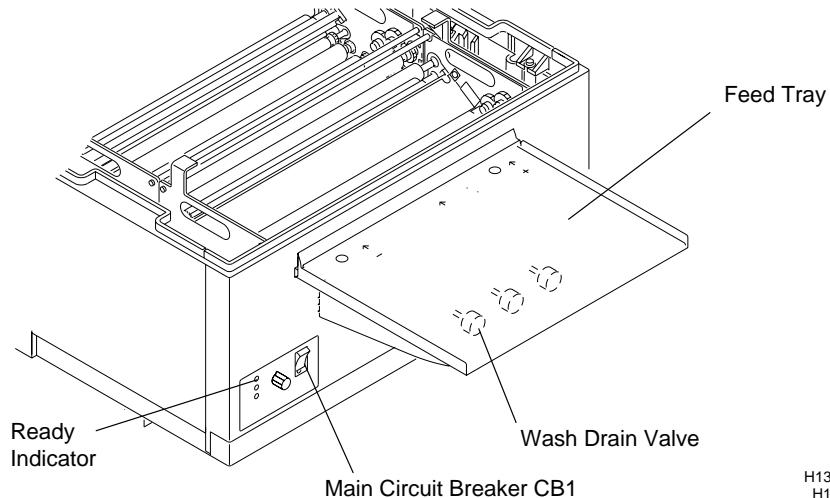
Daily Start-Up

- [1] Check that the level of processing solutions is at the Overflow Weir. If the solutions are not at the Overflow Weir, place film under the **Middle Film Sensor** to fill the Tank.
- [2] Install the Top Cover on the processor.
- [3] In Low Water Usage Mode, close the Wash Drain Valve by rotating it $1/4$ turn.
- [4] Turn on the water supply to the processor.
- [5] Check that the Developer and Fixer Replenisher Tanks contain enough solution for the day's operation.
- [6] Check that the Feed Tray is clean.
- [7] Turn on the processor by moving the Main Circuit Breaker CB1 to the "1" position.
- [8] Allow the processor to warm up.
 - 10 to 20 minutes in average site conditions
 - up to 45 minutes in extreme site conditions
- [9] When the Ready Indicator illuminates and the Wait Indicator turns off, feed a test sheet of **pre-exposed, non-processed** film or a new sheet of cleanup film to verify correct roller transport and operation of the processor.
 - the solutions are at the correct temperature
 - the Dryer is at the setpoint temperature
 - you may feed film
 - the solutions are at the correct temperature
 - the Dryer has not reached setpoint temperature
 - emergency films may be run, but may exit wet or damp
 - If films are wet and feel tacky when they exit the Dryer Assembly, then the Dryer setpoint temperature is too low.
 - If films are over dry and feel hot to the touch when they exit the Dryer Assembly, then the Dryer setpoint temperature is too high.

 **Note**

Using previously processed film as clean-up film can contaminate the solution in the Developer Tank due to the residual Fixer solution on that film.

Figure 12 Preparing for Daily Start-Up



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Operating Notes

When the **Ready** Indicator illuminates and neither the Wait Indicator nor Service Indicator is illuminated or blinking, it indicates that:

- the solutions are at the correct temperature
- the Dryer is at the setpoint temperature
- you may feed film

When the **Ready** Indicator illuminates and the **Wait** Indicator is blinking 3 times, it indicates that:

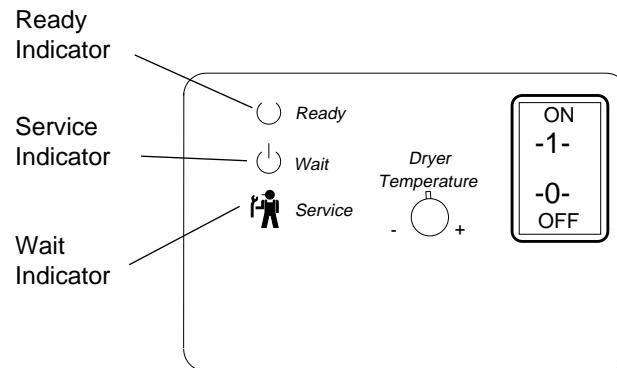
- the solutions are at the correct temperature
- the Dryer has not reached setpoint temperature
- emergency films may be run, but may exit wet or damp

When the **Wait** Indicator or the **Service** Indicator is blinking, the blink pattern will be 1/2 second ON and 1/2 second OFF with a 2-second delay between the blink patterns.

Table 1 Indicator Blink Patterns

Action	Ready	Wait	Service
Feed Film	On	Off	Off
Feed Film but may exit wet	On	Blinks 3 Times	Off
Wait - Film in Process	On	On	Off
Do Not Feed Film Wait for the Film Feed Signal	Off	Blink or Off	Blink or Off

Figure 13 Identifying the Status Indicator Lights



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Adjusting the Dryer Temperature

When films exit the Dryer Assembly, they should be “just dry.” The films should feel cool to the touch, but be dry.

- If films are wet and feel tacky when they exit the Dryer Assembly, then the Dryer setpoint temperature is too low.
- If films are over dry and feel hot to the touch when they exit the Dryer Assembly, then the Dryer setpoint temperature is too high.

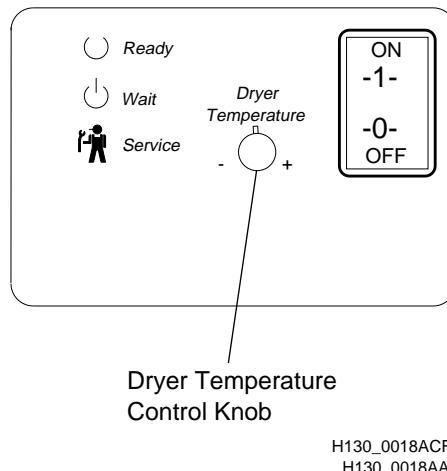
Note

Wait 5 minutes between Dryer temperature adjustments so that the Dryer can reach the new setpoint temperature.

To adjust the Dryer setpoint temperature to the correct temperature setting for your most commonly used film size and type, follow the steps below.

- [1] Turn the Dryer Temperature Control Knob, located on the Display Panel on the front of the processor, so that the Pointer on the Knob points straight up ↑.
- (a) If you are turning the Dryer Temperature Control Knob from its full counterclockwise ↘ position, you will feel 5 detents as you turn the Knob to its upright position.

Figure 14 Locating the Dryer Temperature Control Knob



- [2] Allow 5 minutes for the Dryer temperature to stabilize and then feed a test sheet of **pre-exposed, non-processed** film.

Note

- Select the film type and size that will be most commonly used. Different film types require different drying temperatures for optimum results.
- If you are **increasing** the Dryer setpoint temperature, the Ready Indicator will illuminate and the Wait Indicator will turn off once the Dryer has reached the new setpoint temperature.
- If you are **decreasing** the Dryer setpoint temperature, the Wait Indicator will not illuminate when the Dryer has reached its new setpoint temperature. Therefore, allow 5 minutes after decreasing the Dryer setpoint temperature for the Dryer to reach its new setpoint temperature. The processor may enter Standby Mode during this time.

- [3] Examine how the sheet of film feels to the touch as it exits the Dryer Assembly.

- a. If the sheet of film is damp or tacky when it exits the Dryer Assembly:
 - turn the Dryer Temperature Control Knob clockwise ↗ one detent position.
- b. If the sheet of film is dry and hot when it exits the Dryer Assembly:
 - turn the Dryer Temperature Control Knob counterclockwise ↘ one detent position.

[4] Repeat Steps 2 and 3 until the film exits “just dry.”

Film Feeding Procedure

Feeding Sheet Films:



Caution

- **Do not** pull back films after you begin to feed them into the processor.
- Feed all sheet films except 10 x 10 cm (4 x 4 in.) sheets *square* with the **left** edge of the Film Guide. Feed 10 x 10 cm (4 x 4 in.) sheets *square* with the **right** edge of the Film Guide. See Figure 15 on Page 23 for the recommended film feeding procedure. The arrows indicate the direction in which you should feed the films into the processor for optimum replenishment.
- Feed the next sheet of film after you hear the film-feed signal and the Wait Indicator turns off. The film-feed signal alerts you that the trailing edge of the sheet of film has left the Film Sensors and is fully into the processor. At this point, you may either feed another sheet of film, or turn on the room lights.
- Feed single-emulsion films with the emulsion-side up.

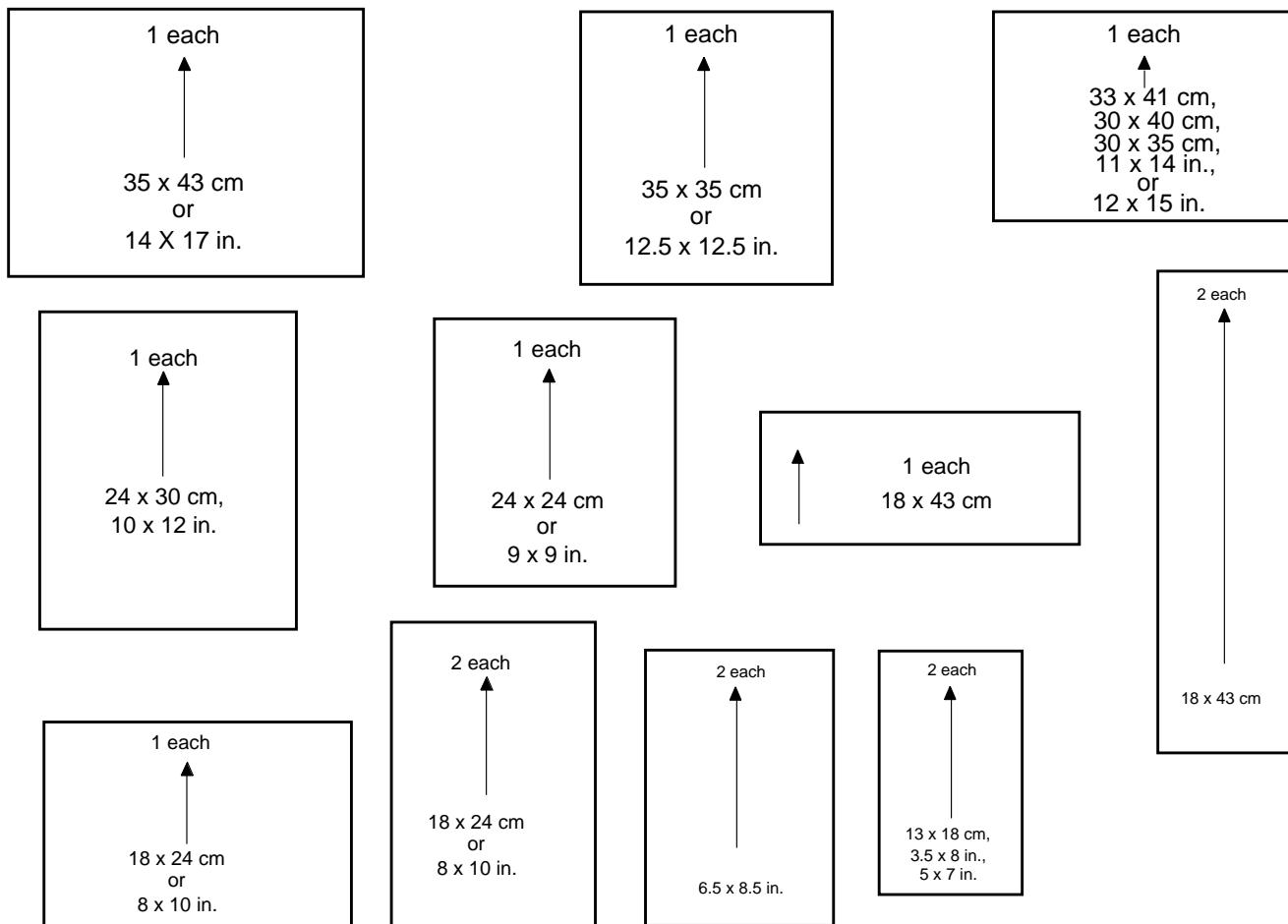
 **Note**

The Receiving Bin is only 35 cm (14 in.) long. Therefore, when sheets of film longer than 35 cm (14 in.) exit the processor, you must manually assist the films as they enter the Receiving Bin.

 **Note**

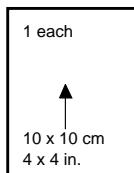
Feed all films square with the left side of the Film Guide except where noted differently.

Figure 15 Recommended Feeding of X-Ray Film Sizes



Feed these films left justified.

Feed these films right justified.



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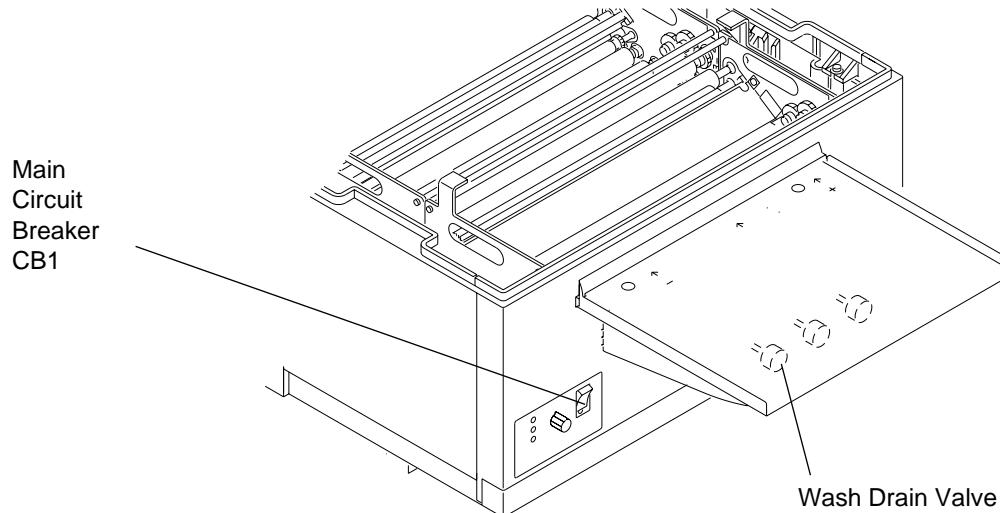
Shutdown

- [1] Turn off the processor by moving the Main Circuit Breaker CB1 on the processor to the “O” position.
- [2] Turn off the main power to the processor.
- [3] Turn off the water supply to the processor.
- [4] In Low Water Usage Mode, open the Wash Drain Valve by rotating it $1/4$ turn.

Note

With Modification No. 2, Part No. 8B6930, installed, the processor will drain automatically overnight.

- [5] Do the “Daily Cleanup” procedure on Page 25.

Figure 16 Shutting Down the Processor

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Preventive Maintenance

Daily Cleanup

- [1] Turn off the processor by moving the Main Circuit Breaker CB1 to the “O” position.
- [2] Turn off the main power to the processor.

 **Note**

To avoid getting debris in the processor, do **not** use a sponge to clean any processor parts.

- [3] Wipe the following parts using warm water and a clean, damp, lint-free cloth:

- Feed Tray
- Top Cover
- Front, Back, and Side Access Panels

Weekly Preventive Maintenance Procedures**Warning**

Wear rubber gloves, safety glasses, and protective clothing when doing any maintenance procedure. Report any change in the operating condition of the processor to your service provider.

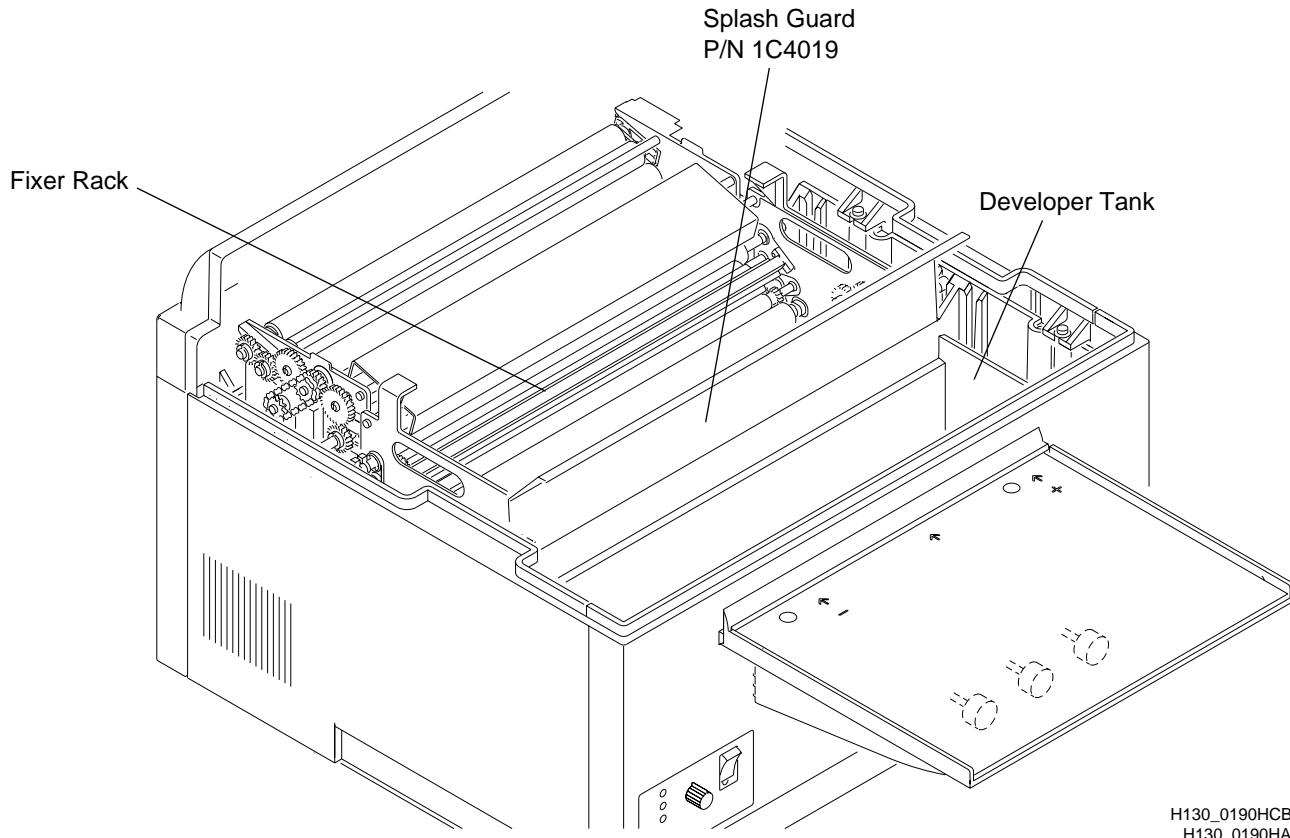
[1] Check that the "Daily Cleanup" section was completed as outlined.

[2] Remove the Top Cover, if it is not already removed.

Caution

- Handle these assemblies carefully to prevent changing their alignment.
- **Do not** clean the Racks or Rollers using abrasive materials.
- **Do not** wash the Rollers with water hotter than 37.5°C (100°F).
- Use the Splash Guard, Part No. 1C4019, between the Developer Tank and the Fixer Tank. Using the Splash Guard will prevent contamination of the developer solution when you remove the Fixer Rack. Using the Drip Tray, Part No. 1C4011, when you remove or install any of the Racks will also help to prevent contamination of the processing solutions.

Figure 17 Using the Splash Guard



[3] Remove:

- Dryer Rack
- Evaporation Covers
- Wash Rack
- Fixer Rack
- Developer Rack

[4] Clean the Evaporation Covers and all the Racks with warm water and a clean, damp, lint-free cloth.

[5] Check that the holes in the Wash Tubes of the Wash Rack are clean and open.

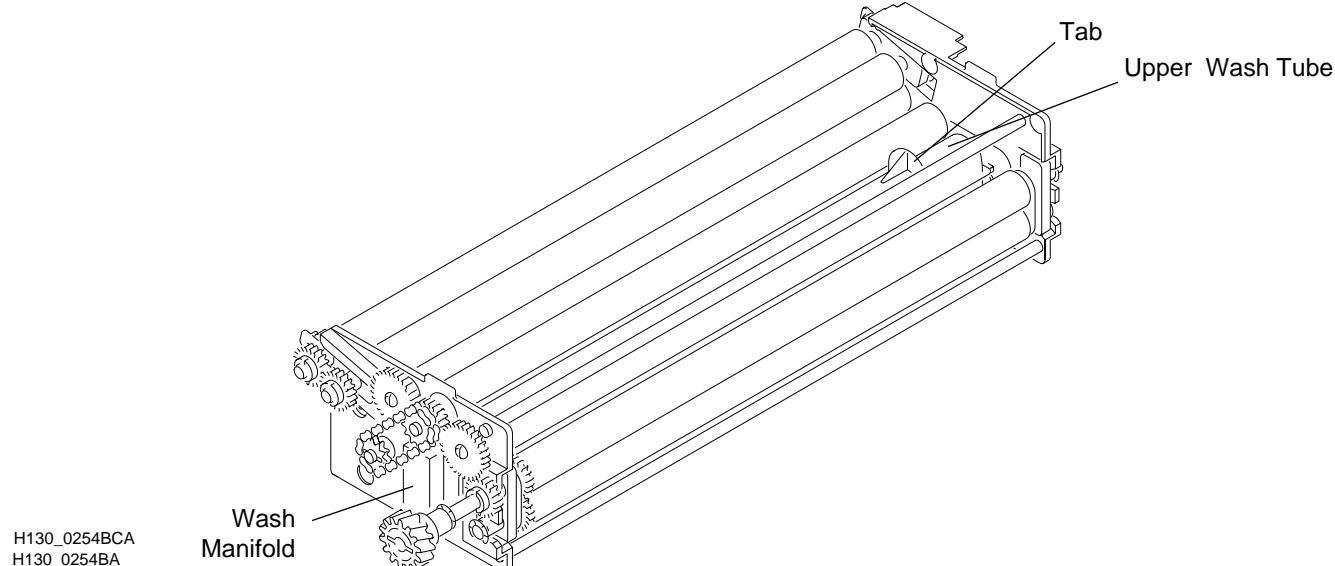
- (a) Using the Tab on the Upper Wash Tube, push the Wash Tube toward the Drive Side of the Wash Rack to remove the Wash Tube.
- (b) Use a Wash Tube Cleaning Brush Part No. TL-4833 or a toothbrush to clean any obstructions in the holes of the Wash Tube. Do not use the Brush to clean the smooth surface of the Wash Tube. Only use the Brush to clean the recessed area around the holes.
- (c) Remove and clean the Lower Wash Tube.
- (d) Install the Wash Tubes observing the Locator Key on the Non-Drive Sideplate.



Caution

Do not try to enlarge the size of the holes in the Wash Tube.

Figure 18 Removing the Upper Wash Tube of the Wash Rack



[6] Check that all the Rollers in the Racks turn freely.

[7] Check the squareness of all the Rack Assemblies.

(a) Place the Rack on a flat work surface.

Be sure that you position the Wash Rack on the flat surface so that the Wash Manifold overhangs the edge of the table. See Figure 19.

Place the Dryer Rack on a flat work surface. See Figure 20.

(b) Check that the 2 Sideplates touch the flat surface evenly.

(c) Twist the Rack as necessary.

(d) If further adjustment is necessary, call your service provider.

Figure 19 Checking the Squareness of the Wash Rack

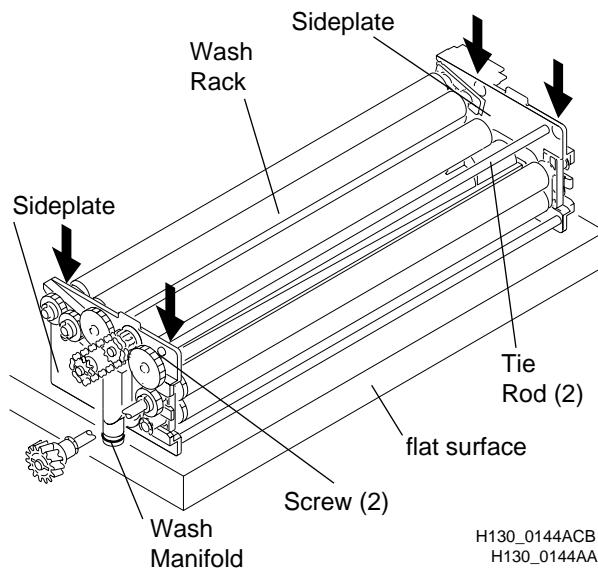
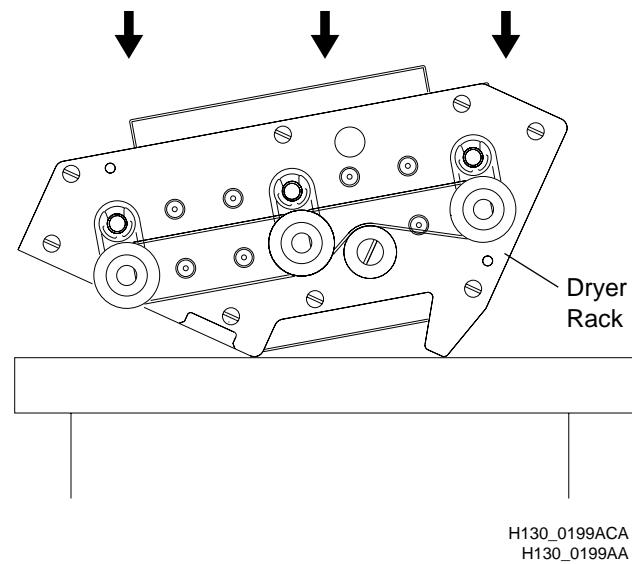


Figure 20 Checking the Squareness of the Dryer Rack



- [8] Use a clean, damp, lint-free cloth to wipe all chemical residue from around the Film Detector Assembly.
- [9] Wipe the Wash Tank with a clean, damp, lint-free cloth.
- [10] Check that the Splash Guard is still positioned correctly between the Fixer Tank and the Developer Tank.



Caution

Install the Racks slowly to prevent contamination of the processing solutions.

- [11] Install the parts in the following order making sure that all Drive Gears engage properly:
 - a. Fixer Rack (on the Edge of the Splash Guard)
 - Remove the Splash Guard.
 - b. Developer Rack
 - c. Wash Rack
 - d. Evaporation Covers
 - e. Dryer Rack

- [12] Wipe any chemical deposits from the processing section of the processor, and clean the Film Sensors.

- [13] Install the Top Cover.

- [14] Turn on the processor and check for correct operation by feeding a test film.

- [15] Check that the building's ventilation system is running and that all vents are open.

Recommended Monthly Maintenance



Warning

Wear rubber gloves, safety glasses, and protective clothing when doing any maintenance procedure. Report any change in the operating condition of the processor to your service provider.

- [1] Check that the "Daily Cleanup" section was completed as outlined on Page 25.
- [2] Do up to Step 9 of the "Weekly Procedures" section outlined on Page 29.
- [3] Do the "Replenishment Calibration Check Procedure" as outlined on Page 15.
- [4] Drain all 3 Tanks by rotating the 3 Drain Valve Knobs $1/4$ turn.
- [5] Rinse the inside of all 3 Tanks with plenty of warm water.
- [6] Clean any chemical residue from the Tanks by wiping the Tank walls with a clean, damp, lint-free cloth. **To prevent contamination, do not use the same cloth for the Fixer Tank and the Developer Tank.**
- [7] Close all 3 Drain Valves by rotating them $1/4$ turn.
- [8] On all Racks, check:
 - (a) that all Rollers rotate freely
 - (b) that the Rollers are clean and smooth
 - (c) that the Gears do not have excessive wear
 - (d) that the Bearings do not have excessive wear
 - (e) that the E-Rings and Springs are not broken, missing, or corroded
 - (f) that the Drive Chain on the Wash Rack does not have excessive wear and is adjusted correctly
 - (g) that the Dryer Rack is not dusty or dirty
 - (h) rinse the Air Tubes with water
- [9] If necessary, install new parts.
- [10] Check the Racks for squareness.
- [11] Place Clamps on the Replenishment Tubes and clean the Replenishment Strainers located between the Replenishment Pump and the Replenisher Tanks.
- [12] Check the recommended Water Supply Filter. Replace it if necessary.
- [13] Fill the Tanks. See Pages 8 through 14.



Caution

Install the Racks slowly to prevent contamination of the processing solutions.

- [14] Install the parts in the following order:
 1. Fixer Rack
 2. Developer Rack
 3. Wash Rack
 4. Evaporation Covers
 5. Dryer Rack
- [15] Wipe any chemical deposits from the processing section of the processor, and clean the Film Sensors.
- [16] Turn on the processor and check for correct operation by feeding a test film.
- [17] Check the Drains for biological growth. If necessary, clean the Drains.

Preventive Maintenance Schedule*			
Part or Assembly	Operator		Service Provider
	Weekly	Monthly	6 Months**
Replenishment Tanks			C
Wash Rack	C	I	C(2), I, R
Wash Tubes in the Wash Rack	C		C(2), I, R
Developer Rack	C	I	C(1), I, R
Fixer Rack	C	I	C(2), I, R
Dryer Rack		I	C, I, R
Developer/Fixer Recirculation Pumps			L
Bearings, Drive Gears, and Rollers in all Racks			I, R
Squareness of all Racks	I	I	I
Dryer Air Tubes			C, I
Tension of the Dryer Drive Belt			I, R
Filters for the Replenisher Strainers		C	C, R
Filter for the Building Water Supply		I, R	R
Drain Hoses		I	I
Ventilation of Exhaust (if connected)	I		T
Drive Motor Chain			I, L
Incoming Water Solenoid Screen			C
Developer Processor Tank		C	C(1)
Fixer Processor Tank		C	C(2)
Wash Processor Tank	C	C	C(2)
Calibration of the Replenishment Pumps		T	T
Film Sensors	C	C	C, T
Dryer Blower			L
Drive Shaft Worm Gears			L
Drive Shaft Thrust Bearing			L

C = Rinse and clean carefully and completely using warm water and a lint-free cloth.

C(1) = Clean with *Kodak* Developer System Cleaner and Neutralizer.

C(2) = Clean with *Kodak* Fixer/Wash System Cleaner.

I = Inspect for condition and adjust, if necessary.

L = Lubricate with recommended material.

R = Replace parts, if necessary.

T = Test and adjust, if necessary.

*Actual usage and site characteristics may require shorter intervals between maintenance. These guidelines are for locations adhering to Site Specifications issued by Kodak. The customer or the trained service provider may perform the weekly preventive maintenance.

Maintenance performed at the 6-month time interval should be performed by an **M43/M43A/Clinic 1 trained service provider.

Problem Solving

Diagnosing the Blink Patterns on the Display Panel

When the processor is operating, the condition of the processor is indicated by the 3 status indicators as outlined below.

- When the **Ready** Indicator illuminates and neither the Wait Indicator nor Service Indicator is illuminated or blinking, it indicates that:
 - Both the developer solution and the Dryer are at the correct temperature.
 - You may feed film.
- When the **Ready** Indicator illuminates and the **Wait** Indicator is blinking 3 times, it indicates that:
 - The solutions are at the correct temperature.
 - The Dryer has not reached setpoint temperature.
 - Emergency films may be run, but may exit wet or damp.
- When the **Wait** Indicator illuminates and remains illuminated while the processor is operating, it indicates:
 - A film is being fed and is not yet off the Feed Tray.
 - The Film Sensors may be blocked by dirt or other debris.
- When the **Wait** Indicator blinks on and off while the processor is operating, it indicates that:
 - There is a temporary error condition.
 - There is an error condition that the operator may be able to correct. See Table 3 on Page 33.
- When the **Service** Indicator blinks on and off while the processor is operating, it indicates that:
 - There is an error condition that the operator **may** be able to correct. The pattern of on and off flashes indicates the error code. If the operator **cannot** correct the error condition, call for service.
 - If film is fed into the processor during a service error, the processor will beep 2 seconds “On” then 2 seconds “Off,” while that film is processed.
- When the **Service** Indicator illuminates and remains illuminated while the processor is operating, it indicates that:
 - Service of the processor is required.

Table 2 Indicator Blink Patterns

Action	Ready	Wait	Service
Feed Film	On	Off	Off
Feed Film but may exit wet	On	Blinks 3 Times	Off
Wait - Film in Process Wait for the Film Feed Signal	On	On	Off
Do Not Feed Film	Off	Blink or Off	Blink or Off

Table 3 Wait Indicator Blink Patterns

Condition	Ready	Wait	Service	Action
Processor ready	On	Off	Off	NORMAL OPERATION
No error, film being fed	On	On	Off	
Developer is over the set temperature	Off	Blinks 1 time	Off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check that the main water supply to the processor is turned on. Check that the main water supply is between 4 and 29°C (40 and 85°F). The processor will not enter Standby Mode. Call for service.
Developer is under the set temperature	Off	Blinks 2 times	Off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check the developer temperature Normal warm-up time from 22°C (72°F) is 10 to 20 minutes. For the Clinic 1 processor only, when feeding 6 or more films back to back with cold water 4°C (40°F), a brief Wait condition can occur. Check that the WASH DRAIN VALVE is closed. Call for service.
Dryer is under the set temperature	On	Blinks 3 times	Off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check that the Dryer Temperature Control Knob is at the correct setting. Lower the Dryer temperature if the films exit hot. Normal warm-up time is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15 to 20 minutes in average site conditions up to 45 minutes in extreme site conditions NOTE: The Dryer Heater will turn off if the developer solution is above the set temperature. When the temperature decreases, the Dryer Heater will turn on again. Call for service.
Top Cover is not seated properly	Off	Off	Off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install the Top Cover on the processor. Check that the Top Cover is positioned correctly. Check that the main power to the processor is turned on. Call for service.
Diagnostic Error	Off	Off	On	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call for service.

 **Note**

When errors occur, record the blink pattern in a Service Log Book. When requesting service, inform your service provider of the recorded blink pattern to help minimize downtime.

Table 4 Error Conditions - Service Indicator Blink Patterns

Error Condition	Ready	Wait	Service	Action
Circuit Board Error	Off	Off	Blinks 1 time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call for service.
Loss of air flow	Off	Off	Blinks 2 times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn the processor off. Wait 5 seconds and turn on the processor. Remove the Top Cover. Check that the Dryer Plenum is seated correctly. Install the Top Cover. If the problem recurs, call for service.
Air Vane Switch Error	Off	Off	Blinks 3 times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn the processor off. Wait 5 seconds and turn on the processor. If the problem recurs, call for service.
Unable to determine the developer temperature	Off	Off	Blinks 4 times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn the processor off. Wait 5 seconds and turn on the processor. If the problem recurs, call for service.
Dryer is over the temperature	Off	Off	Blinks 5 times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn the processor off. Wait 5 seconds and turn on the processor. Check that the Dryer Plenum is seated correctly. If the problem recurs, call for service.
Unable to determine the Dryer temperature	Off	Off	Blinks 6 times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turn the processor off. Wait 5 seconds and turn on the processor. If the problem recurs, call for service.
Film Detector LED Error	Off	Off	Blinks 7 times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean the Film Sensors. Check for obstructions of the film detectors. If the problem recurs, call for service
Developer over set temperature range	Off	Off	Blinks 8 times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check that the main water supply to the processor is turned on and within 4 to 29.5°C (40 to 85°F). Check that the WASH DRAIN VALVE is closed. Check that the Vent on the Side Access Panel of the processor is free from obstruction. Check that the room ambient temperature is within 15 and 30°C (59 and 86°F). The processor will not enter Standby Mode in this condition. This can be a temporary situation. Wait 15 minutes. If the problem has not cleared, call for service.

Error Condition	Ready	Wait	Service	Action
Developer under set temperature range	Off	Off	Blinks 9 times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check that the room ambient temperature is within 15 and 30°C (59 and 86°F). This can be a temporary situation. Wait 15 minutes. If the problem has not cleared, call for service.
Dryer under set temperature range	Off	Off	Blinks 10 times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check that the room ambient temperature is within 15 and 30°C (59 and 86°F). Turn the processor off. Wait 5 seconds and turn on the processor. If the Vent Kit is installed, check for excessive negative static pressure at the Exhaust Vent. If the problem recurs, call for service.

Diagnosing Mechanical Problems

						1. Transport Failure
						2. Surface Artifacts
						3. Abnormal Film Densities
						4. Wet Films
						5. Low Solution Levels
						6. Overlapping of Films
1	2	3	4	5	6	
•					•	<p>Film Feeding Error</p> <p>Feed only single thicknesses of film. Feed next film only after film feed signal. If there is no film feed signal, refer the difficulty to qualified personnel.</p>
•	•	•	•		•	Feed only compatible films.
•	•	•	•		•	Check that all Racks are seated correctly and that all Gears engage correctly.
•	•	•	•			Check that the surfaces of all the Rollers, especially the Rollers in the Wash Back, are clean and smooth.
•	•	•	•			Check that the Dryer and the Dryer Plenum are seated correctly.
•	•		•			Remove any dirt from the Dryer Rollers, the Air Tubes, and especially from the Slots in the Air Tubes. Rinse the parts with water and wipe them dry before installing them.
•	•	•	•	•	•	Check the settings for correct replenishment. Check the replenishment system outside the processor: Tubing kinks, Pump operation, and Film Detector Sensors.
•	•	•	•			Adjust the Dryer Temperature Control Setting to the lowest possible temperature that still allows good drying.
•	•	•				Remove any buildup of debris or chemicals from the Feed Tray and Rollers that are above the level of the processing solution. Check the Feed Tray and all Entrance and Exit Rollers for damaged surfaces.
•	•				•	Clean any biological growth in the Wash Tank with a mild solution of chlorine bleach. Use 60 mL (2 fl oz.) of bleach per 3.8 L (1 gallon) of water. Wipe Tanks with a clean, soft, lint-free cloth.
•	•				•	If the processor Tanks are not full, check that the Drain Valves are closed and that the correct Drain Valves are installed. If necessary, call your service provider.
•	•	•	•		•	<p>Change any incorrectly mixed, exhausted, or contaminated chemicals. Fill the Replenishment Tanks if necessary.</p> <p>Do not mix more than a 2-week supply of developer replenisher.</p> <p>Mix chemicals as directed.</p> <p>Always use a Rack Drip Tray when lifting the Fixer Rack to prevent contaminating the developer.</p>
	•	•				Check that the Entrance Rollers to the Developer Rack and Fixer Rack are dry.
•	•	•			•	Check that <i>all</i> Racks are in place, positioned, and rotating correctly.
•	•	•			•	Check that <i>all</i> Roller Gears, Sprockets, and Idlers are engaged.

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•	•				•	Replace any Bearings which do not allow the Rollers to rotate correctly.
•	•					Turn water on. If incoming wash water is dirty, clean the Rack and Tank thoroughly. Change the incoming water Filter at the main supply.
•	•	•				Check the temperature of the incoming water. The temperature should be between 4 and 29°C (40 and 85°F).
	•					Check that the correct Bulb, 15 watt maximum, and the Safelight Filter are in the safelight and at the correct distance from the Feed Tray and work surface.
•	•					Check that the Cover and Panels are installed securely on the processor.
				•		Check that the Alarm sounds and the Wait Indicator Light turns off within approximately 6 seconds after the trailing edge of the film has passed the Film Sensors.
			•			Check that ambient conditions are within the specifications.
				•		Check that all lines outside the processor are without kinks or air bubbles.
•						Check that all Developer, Fixer and Wash Gears, and Bearings rotate freely and are not worn.

Warranty

Kodak warrants this *Kodak X-Omat* M43 and M43A Processors and the *Kodak X-Omat* Clinic 1 Processor to function correctly for one year from the date of initial installation, when installed within one year from date of shipment.

Warranty Repair Coverage

If this equipment does not function correctly during the warranty period, the dealer (for *Kodak X-Omat* M43, M43A and Clinic 1 Processors) who sold the equipment will provide or arrange for repair of the equipment during the dealer's normal working hours. Such repair service will include any adjustments and/or replacement of parts required to maintain your equipment in good working order.

How To Obtain Service

Should equipment require service, refer to the sales contract for details on whom to call for service, or contact the dealer (for *Kodak X-Omat* M43, M43A, and Clinic 1 Processors) who sold the equipment.

Limitations

Warranty service is limited to the contiguous United States, the island of Oahu in Hawaii, and certain areas of Alaska.

This warranty does **not** cover—

- circumstances beyond the control of Kodak
- misuse
- abuse
- attachments
- accessories
- alterations not marketed by Kodak (including service or parts to correct problems resulting from the use of such attachments, accessories, or alterations)
- failure to follow the operating instructions as recommended by Kodak.
- supply items

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